Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph at page 13, line 20, to page 14, line 10 with the following:

FIG. 2b shows an illustrative arrangement for interactive program guide equipment 17 in a client-server based or distributed interactive program guide system. As shown in FIG. 2b, program guide distribution equipment 21 may include program guide server 25. Program guide server 25 may be any suitable software, hardware, or combination thereof for providing a client-server based program guide. Program guide server 25 may, for example, generate requested program guide display screens as digital frames and distribute the frames to user television equipment 22 for display by an interactive program guide client implemented on user television equipment 22. Program guide systems in which digital frames are distributed to users are described, for example, in Marshall et al. U.S. patent application Serial No. 09/330,501 [[_____]], filed June 11, 1999 ~~(Attorney Docket No. UV-79)~~, which is hereby incorporated by reference herein in its entirety. Alternatively, program guide server 25 may run a suitable database engine (e.g., SQL Server by Microsoft) and provide program guide data in response to queries generated by a

program guide client implemented on user television equipment 22. If desired, program guide server 25 may be located at main facility 12 (not shown).

Please replace the paragraph at page 20, line 24, to page 21, line 15 with the following:

User television equipment 22 may also have secondary storage device 47 and digital storage device 49 for recording programming. Secondary storage device 47 can be any suitable type of analog or digital program storage device (e.g., a videocassette recorder, a digital versatile disc (DVD), etc.). Program recording and other functions may be controlled by control circuitry 42. Digital storage device 49 can be, for example, a writable optical storage device (such as a DVD player capable of handling recordable DVD discs), a magnetic storage device (such as a disk drive or digital tape), or any other digital storage device. If desired, programs may be recorded remotely at television distribution facility 16 or some other facility, making secondary storage device 47 and digital storage device 49 unnecessary. Systems in which programs are remotely

recorded and played back are described, for example, in Ellis et al. U.S. patent application Serial No. 09/332,244 [[_____]], filed June 11, 1999 ~~(Attorney Docket No. UV-84)~~, which is hereby incorporated by reference herein in its entirety. Programs, audio, associated program data, program guide data, or any suitable combination thereof, may be recorded by secondary storage device 47, digital storage device 49, or a remote server in a selected or default language if desired.

Please replace the paragraph at page 25, lines 19 to 34, with the following:

FIG. 7a shows an illustrative full information screen 161 that may be displayed when a user indicates a desire to view information for a program. Full information screen 161 may be displayed, for example, when the user presses an "info" key on remote control 40 after highlighting a program listing in a program listings display screen (e.g., program listings display screens 130 and 135 of FIGS. 5a and 5b), while watching a program, or at any other suitable time. Information screens that

provide users with an opportunity to access various program guide functions are described, for example, in ~~concurrently filed~~ Rudnick et al. U.S. patent application Serial No. 09/356,268, [[_____]] ~~(Attorney Docket No. UV-113)~~, filed July 16, 1999, which is hereby incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

Please replace the paragraph at page 40, lines 18 to 28, with the following:

The program guide may ready program guide text at step 460. [[On]] One suitable approach may involve extracting program guide text in the selected or default program guide language that is normally stored by the program guide (step 462). Another suitable approach may involve downloading program guide text from television distribution facility 16 on demand at step 460 using, for example, any suitable client-server or peer-to-peer approach (step 464). Any other suitable approach for readying program guide text may be used. At step 468, the display screen text may be decompressed. Providing display screen text in compressed form may tend to minimize the bandwidth requirements of link ~~and~~ 20 and the memory requirements of user television equipment 22.